

AT A GLANCE

HABITAT

Seasonally flooded lowland forests, with an oxbow lake; also marshes, cypress slough and restored upland meadow.

BIRDS TO FIND

Howell Wetlands is a good place to find wood ducks, geese, herons, woodpeckers, including red-headed woodpecker, Prothonotary warbler, and typical resident birds of lowland forests. The upland meadow supports many grassland species including field sparrow, indigo bunting, and American goldfinch. You will also find several species of migratory warblers, vireos, and flycatchers in the spring and fall.

WHEN TO GO

Year round. Especially good during spring and fall migration.

AMENITIES

Howell has two miles of hiking trails, boardwalks, an amphitheater, and an outdoor classroom. Rest rooms are available, but only during educational programs and special events.

ACCESS

Howell is open seven days a week for self-guided tours from sunrise to sunset. Admission is free. Both handicap and regular parking are available. All trails are easy walking, many with boardwalks.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Wesselman Nature Society, 551 North Boeke Road, Evansville, IN. 47711.

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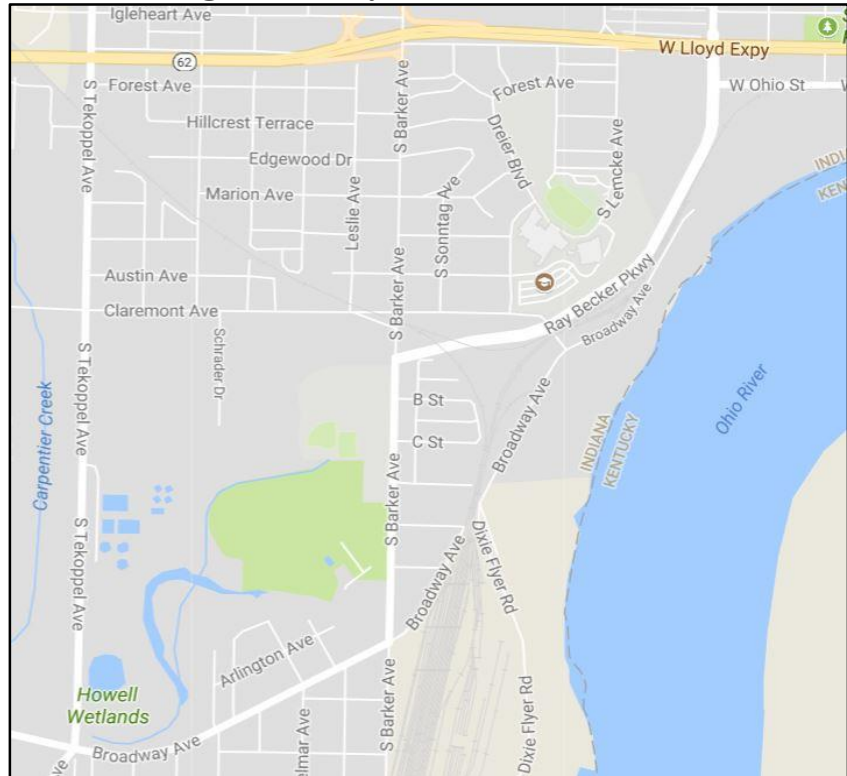
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Howell Wetlands Nature Area

Vanderburgh County



Driving Directions: Howell Wetlands is located at 1400 S. Tekoppel Road in Evansville. From westbound SR62 (Lloyd Expressway) take the Tekoppel exit and head south for about 2 miles. From eastbound SR 62 exit south on Barker Street and travel to Broadway Ave., turn right until Tekoppel and turn right again.

Howell Wetlands, the largest urban wetland in Indiana, is located in Evansville and managed by Wesselman Nature Society (WNS). Despite its urban location, this 35-acre wetland provides diverse wildlife habitat including, marsh, cypress slough, oxbow lake, lowland hardwood forest, and restored upland meadow. The most significant natural feature is the oxbow lake which is a remnant channel from the Ohio River.

In addition to many birds, Howell is home to a variety of other flora and fauna. It is a great place to see beaver, muskrats, green tree frogs and a host of other wildlife. A major goal of WNS is to conserve this unique wetland ecosystem and make the area accessible for a variety of educational activities, including hikes, youth programs, and special community events (i.e. Earth Day). The Conservation Center, completed in 2009, is used for many of these education and conservation activities.